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For: KERATINOUS FIBRE OXIDATION DYEING COMPOSITION CONTAINING LACCASE AND DYEING METHOD USING SAME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment for the above identified application.

The claims are calculated below:

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Total	34	-	30	4	x \$ 18	\$72.00	
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A check for \$150.00 to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced application on the merits, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-31 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.

Please add new claims 32-65 as follows:

- -32. A composition for the oxidation dyeing of keratin fibers, comprising:
- (a) at least one oxidation dye chosen from heterocyclic oxidation bases, heterocyclic couplers, and acid addition salts of said oxidation dyes; and
- (b) at least one laccase-type enzyme,

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